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1. BALOGUN STILL PREFERS TRAVEL AS SCHEDULED, ARRIVING U.A. APRIL 17 FOR 30-DAY, RPT 30-DAY PROGRAM. REGRET THAT LAGOS 2342, WHICH REFERRED TO QTE FIRST RPT FIRST TEN DAYS OF VISIT UNQTE, WAS MISINTERPRETED.

2. APPRECIATE DEPTS EFFORTS FIND ALTERNATE FUNDING FOR EXCESS BAGGAGE. AS BALOGUN ANXIOUS TRAVEL AT THIS TIME RATHER THAN POSTPONE AGAIN BELIEVES HE CAN MANAGE TO PAY IF THIS IS ONLY SOLUTION.

3. BALOGUN UNDERTAKING NORMAL IV TOUR. AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED (LAGOS 7121, JULY 1, 1974) ADDITIONAL CITIES AFTER SECOND STOP IN NEW YORK WOULD INCLUDE NEW ORLEANS, SAN FRANCISCO, BUFFALO, AND HOUSTON. PARENTHETICALLY, THIS CRISSCORSSING PATTERN CAUSED OUR PREVIOUS CONCERN (LAGOS 2342). HOPE ACCEPTABLE ROUTING CAN BE AGREED UPON DURING PROGRAMMING SESSION AT IIE.

4. HAVE DISCUSSED ISSUE OF ESCORT WITH HIM. HOWEVER, BALOGUN HAS CONCEDED IN PRINCIPLE TO NEED FOR ESCORT AT CERTAIN TIMES AND WILLING TO COOPERATE WITH PROGRAM OFFICERS RECOMMENDATIONS.

5. MORE GUIDANCE ON SUBJECT GRANTEE FOLLOWS IN CLASSIFIED SEPTEL.

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